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1. REQUEST AMCONSUL LENINGRAD PASS FOLLOWING LETTER DATED 31 MARCH 1976 FROM DR. EDWARD S. EPSTEIN, US COCHAIRMAN WORKING GROUP VIII, TO DR. YE P. BORISENKO, SOVIET COCHAIRMAN WORKING GROUP VIII WITH COPY TO PROFESSOR K. YA KONDRATYEV, DEPARTMENT OF ATMOSPHERIC PHYSICS, LENINGRAD UNIVERSITY. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS COPY TO DR. KAZAKOV OF HYDROMET.

2. QUOTE DEAR DR. BORISENKO: IN MY LETTER TO YOU OF MARCH 11, 1976, THE US SIDE AGREED WITH YOUR PROPOSAL TO HOLD THE CONFERENCE TO EVALUATE THE RESULTS OF THE RYLSK EXPERIMENT DURING THE PERIOD MAY 18-26, 1976. IN ADDITION THE NAMES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE US DELEGATION UNCLASSIFIED

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DR. HOFMANN, DR. ROSEN, DR. GRANDY, AND DR. SCHMELTEKOPF

WERE PROVIDED.

3. PROFESSOR KONDRATYEV IN A LETTER TO DR. HOFMANN DATED MARCH 4, 1976, HAS SUGGESTED THAT THE CONFERENCE SHOULD BE EXPANDED TO INCLUDE THE TOPIC OF DIRECT MEASUREMENTS AND REMOTE SENSING OF GLOBAL AEROSOLS. HE ALSO INDICATED

THAT IT WOULD BE HIGHLY DESIRABLE TO DISCUSS DATA ACQUIRED DURING THE APOLLO-SOYUZ PROJECT. THE US SIDE IS PLEASED TO ADD THIS TOPIC TO THE CONFERENCE AGENDA AND DR. MICHAEL P. MCCORMICK, HEAD OF THE AEROSOL MEASUREMENT RESEARCH BRANCH OF THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION IS PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE APOLLO-SOYUZ AND LIDAR RESULTS. IN THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT ADOPTED BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE IT WAS AGREED THAT UP TO FOUR US SPECIALISTS WILL BE INVITED FOR THIS CONFERENCE. IF THE SOVIET SIDE AGREES TO ACCEPT FIVE US SPECIALISTS, WE WILL BE MOST HAPPY TO HAVE DR. MCCORMICK ACCOMPANY THE US DELEGATION. WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO RECEIVE YOUR DECISION ON THIS MATTER AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE SO THAT DR. MCCORMICK CAN BEGIN TO MAKE TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS.
WITH BEST REGARDS. EDWARD S. EPSTEIN UNQUOTE. KISSINGER

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